

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

What is claimed is:

1-79 (Cancelled)

80. (New) Gene for diagnosing colorectal cancer, the gene sequence consisting of a gene sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 76.

81. (New) A method for diagnosing colorectal cancer comprising:

contacting a gene consisting of a gene sequence of SEQ ID NO: 76 with a colorectal cancer containing cells and

detecting molecules of ribonucleic acid released in a peripheral blood by said colorectal cancer containing cells.